(b) whether the D. S. Ps. in the State (former Division Inspectors) are not the counterpart of Circle Inspectors in British India;

(c) are not the D. S. Ps. doing the same work that the Division Inspectors were doing before?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—It is stated that the D. S Ps. of our State form the counterpart of Circle Inspectors in British India and it is also stated in the previous answer that the Circle Inspectors and Prosecuting Inspectors are of the same cadre in British India. Can the Government make its way to see that that status is kept up among the D. S. Ps. and the Prosecuting Inspectors of our State?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That requires consideration.

Examination of food animals intended for slaughter.

10. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the existing arrangement for the proper examination of the food animals intended for slaughter in the Chittur-Tattamangalam Municipality; and also

(b) whether any remuneration is paid to the officer or officers concerned;

(c) whether any other system was in vogue prior to the present one; if so,

(d) what led the Municipality to change the previous one;

(e) is not the Government aware that in the State Municipalities of Trichur and Ernakulam and also in other Municipalities outside the State the slaughter of animals are brought under Veterinary supervision, wherever possible, to ensure wholesome meat supplied to the public ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) The animals are passed by the Municipal Sanitary Inspectors before they are slaughtered.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

(d) To introduce better arrangements the old system was changed.

(e) In the Ernakulam and Trichur Municipalities the animals intended for slaughter are inspected by the Veterinary Inspectors. Government have no information with regard to the practice in the Municipalities outside the State.

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